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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Joint Chiefs of Staff

ATTENTION: Director, Joint Staff

SUBJECT: Central Intelligence Agency Representation
at the National War College

1. During the past three annual sessions of the National War College, the Central Intelligence Agency has derived great benefit through the attendance of three representatives of each class. In a letter to the Commandant dated 30 April 1954, I have nominated three career officers of the Agency to attend the 1954-55 session. I have also chosen from among the fully qualified candidates recommended by our Career Service Board four alternates to fill any vacancies which may occur prior to the commencement of the course.

2. Although in most years it is difficult to spare from operational duties as many as three men of the caliber to contribute to the National War College and profit by the course, the candidates who were presented this year and are available to attend include more than three who are fully qualified. I am therefore writing to inquire whether you can accept for the coming course two more men, in addition to our quota of three. If this can be done, I will nominate to the Commandant at the National War College two of the four alternates who have already been selected. I am confident that these men will profit by the course and make a contribution to it equally with those who have already been appointed. I am not requesting an enlargement of our annual quota at this time as I believe that only on rare occasions will I be able to nominate more than three representatives to the course.

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
DirectorOTR/BBW/eb (12 May 1954) Concur: W3

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